

- (2) Reading of Kannada manuscripts. Ignorance of Kannada interferes with prompt disposal of work.

(c) This examination was introduced when graduates of merit were few. The necessity for throwing open the examination to outsiders does not now exist. The sons of the soil are more interested in the well-being of the State than outsiders.

When persons of merit with recognised University qualifications and experience are available, it is very desirable to recruit the public service from among them.

NOTE:—Public opinion is very much against the scheme. People would prefer the abolition of the examination to the repeal of the Press Law if a choice is offered between the two. Recruitment by competition has caused great discontent in the subordinate service. Ordinary graduates are enough for the work of ordinary administration. Even the rural population would prefer that only Mysoreans should be employed. Good men in the State should be preferred to good men from outside.

*Reply of Government.*—Noted.

SUBJECT No. 266.

Nomination of Mahomedans to the Mysore Civil Service.

Mr. Moulvi Dervish Peer, Anjuman-i-Himayath Islam, Mysore.

*Summary of discussion.*—The Mysore Civil Service Scheme has not proved beneficial to the Mahomedans in any way. When the scheme was introduced, it was thought that Mahomedans would enter the service by nomination. But since its inauguration, very few Mahomedans have been appointed to the service. This may be due to the fact that very few appointments are available for nomination and fewer still for the Mahomedans. The scheme may be so modified as to admit of a larger number of appointments being made by nomination.

*Reply of Government.*—Noted.

SUBJECT No. 267.

Mahomedan officials in the Public Service.

Mr. Moulvi Dervish Peer, Anjuman-i-Himayath Islam, Mysore.

*Summary of discussion.*—The Mahomedan officials who deserve promotions on the ground of their long service are kept back from such promotion for not having passed the required examinations. They may be exempted from passing them, taking into consideration their long service and experience.

*Reply of Government.*—Noted.

SUBJECT No. 268.

Appointment of qualified men in Government service.

Mr. Moulvi Dervish Peer, Anjuman-i-Himayath Islam, Mysore.

*Summary of discussion.*—In filling up appointments carrying a salary of Rs. 25 and above only graduates must be entertained, preference being given to graduates of backward communities, as efficiency at present in these offices is very low.

*Reply of Government.*—Noted.